

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An ATV comprising:

a frame;

at least three wheels suspended from the frame, at least one of which is a front wheel and at least one of which is a rear wheel, the front wheel defining a front axis and the rear wheel defining a rear axis;

a power unit for driving at least one of the wheels disposed on the frame;

a straddle-type seat including a main seat portion for a driver and a secondary seat portion, rearward of the main portion, for a passenger;

a back rest provided for the secondary seat portion, the back rest having a back-supporting front surface positioned in front of the rear axis; and

a steering member for steering at least one of the wheels.

2. The ATV of claim 1, wherein:

the at least three wheels comprise only four wheels, two of which are front wheels and two of which are rear wheels;

the front wheels define the front axis and the rear wheels define the rear axis; each of

the wheels includes an ATV-type tire; and

the steering member comprises handlebars.

3. The ATV of claim 2, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheelbase of greater than 52 inches.

4. The ATV of claim 2, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheelbase of greater than 54 inches.
5. The ATV of claim 2, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 52 and 72 inches.
6. The ATV of claim 5, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 55 and 72 inches.
7. The ATV of claim 6, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 55 and 65 inches.
8. The ATV of claim 7, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 56 and 64 inches.
9. The ATV of claim 6, wherein the back-supporting front surface of the back rest is positioned in front of the rear axis by over 1 inch.
10. The ATV of claim 6 wherein the back-supporting front surface of the back rest is positioned in front of the rear axis by over 3 inches.
11. The ATV of claim 6, further comprising at least one back rest support that extends between the back rest and the ATV.

12. The ATV of claim 6, wherein the at least one back rest support comprises two laterally-spaced back rest supports that extend between laterally-spaced portions of the back rest and the ATV.

13. An ATV comprising:

a frame;

at least three wheels suspended from the frame, at least one of which is a front wheel and at least one of which is a rear wheel, the front wheel defining a front axis and the rear wheel defining a rear axis;

a power unit for driving at least one of the wheels disposed on the frame;

a straddle-type seat including a main seat portion for a driver and a secondary seat portion, rearward of the main portion, for a passenger, the seat having a rearward end disposed in front of the rear axis; and

a steering member for steering at least one of the wheels.

14. The ATV of claim 13, wherein:

the at least three wheels comprise only four wheels, two of which are front wheels and two of which are rear wheels;

the front wheels define the front axis and the rear wheels define the rear axis; each of

the wheels includes an ATV-type tire; and

the steering member comprises handlebars.

15. The ATV of claim 14, wherein the rearward end is positioned in front of the rear axis by over 1 inch.

16. The ATV of claim 15, wherein the rearward end is positioned in front of the rear axis by over 3 inches.
17. The ATV of claim 14, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheelbase of greater than 52 inches.
18. The ATV of claim 14, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheelbase of greater than 54 inches.
19. The ATV of claim 14, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 52 and 72 inches.
20. The ATV of claim 19, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 55 and 72 inches.
21. The ATV of claim 20, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheel base of between 55 and 65 inches.
22. The ATV of claim 20, wherein the secondary seat portion includes a secondary supporting range that is entirely positioned in front of the rear axis.
23. The ATV of claim 15, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheelbase of between 55 and 72 inches.

24. The ATV of claim 16, wherein the front axis and the rear axis define a wheelbase of between 55 and 72 inches.